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EXAMINER:

SUBJECT:

Remediation of Radioactive Waste By Stimulated Radioactive Decay

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FORMALITIES LETTER

Please enter the following amendments and remarks of record.

AMENDMENTS

In the Figures:

Please amend the application to include the attached formalized Figures 1-3 and 7 as drawings separate from the text of the Description, as required in the Formalities Letter (Notice of Missing Parts). Also, please find attached Figures 4-6 that have also been formalized and make them of record. Clean Replacement Sheets are attached in Appendix A.

In the Description:

On page 4, in the description of Figure 3, please delete the comma.

On page 4, please insert, at the end of the text on the page, the sentence: - - Figure 7 is a graph of products produced by photofission of U 238 target with 10 MeV photons.- -

On page 9, please delete Figure 1 (moved to a separate sheet as noted above) and leave only the text, as shown in the attached clean replacement sheet in Appendix B.

On page 10, please delete Figures 2, 3A, and 3B (moved to a separate sheet as noted above) and leave only Table III.

On page 22, please delete the Figure (moved to a separate sheet as noted above and labeled Figure 7) and leave only the text. Also, on page 22, at line 9 of the text, please replace "This figure" with - - Figure 7 - - .

Pages 4, 9, 10, and 22 are shown in clean replacement form in Appendix B.

REMARKS

Applicant requests further examination and reconsideration of the application.

In response to the requirements in the Notice of Missing Parts, Applicant has removed Figures 1, 2, 3A, 3B and the drawing on page 22 (now called Figure 7) from the Description, and herewith submits them as separate sheets of figures. Also, Applicant submits formalized Figures 4-6.

In the Description, Applicant has corrected a typographical error on page 4, added a description of Figure 7 on page 4, and has added "Figure 7" on page 22. Applicant attaches clean page 4, and also clean pages 9, 10, and 22 (which now do not include the Figures) in Appendix B. No new matter has been added.

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Table 1. Demographic characteristics of the study population	
Age (years)	Mean (SD)
Male	55.2 (10.5)
Female	56.8 (11.2)
Marital status	
Married	78.5%
Single	21.5%
Education level	
High school or less	45.2%
College or more	54.8%
Occupation	
Professional	32.1%
Managerial	28.7%
Technical	15.3%
Service	23.9%
Unemployed	1.0%
Health status	
Good	65.4%
Fair	22.1%
Poor	12.5%
Chronic diseases	
Hypertension	38.7%
Diabetes	15.2%
Heart disease	10.1%
Stroke	5.3%
Arthritis	22.4%
Chronic lung disease	8.9%
Other	1.4%
Medication use	
Yes	52.3%
No	47.7%
Number of medications	
0-2	35.6%
3-5	28.9%
6-8	18.7%
9-11	12.1%
12 or more	4.7%
Health insurance	
Medicare/Medicaid	72.1%
Private	27.9%
Uninsured	0.0%
Healthcare access	
Regular doctor	85.4%
Specialist	32.1%
Hospital	68.9%
Emergency room	15.2%
Other	1.5%
Healthcare costs	
Out of pocket	12.3%
Insurance premium	8.7%
Co-insurance	5.4%
Other	1.4%
Healthcare satisfaction	
Satisfied	62.1%
Dissatisfied	37.9%
Reasons for dissatisfaction	
Cost	25.3%
Access	18.7%
Quality	32.1%
Communication	12.4%
Other	1.5%

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